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EUREKA! Treasure Hunters Club, Inc.



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Lulubelle's Lost Bling Clue Hunt

Finds of the Month

Eureka Member's England Trip

March Hunt Report

April's IRS Hunt

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Next Club Meeting
2nd Friday, April 7:30 p.m.
at the
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Detecting In The UK

By John Cornelisse

I had been on the internet for some time investigating organized UK treasure hunting trips available to Americans. Trips were available through Jimmy Sierra and others, but one through the Colchester Treasure and Metal Detecting Club sparked my interest. I made some calls and found Tom, a county sheriff detective in the Seattle area, who was organizing a hunt in late February. He was setting up a trip for ten hunters and had one more space available at one of the B&B's that he uses. If I was interested in the hunt, I was to let him know and I had only a short time to decide and prepare.

First, I booked a flight from Denver to London Heathrow with arrival times to closely correspond with the group's arrival times. I booked a British Airways nonstop flight for \$1071 with an additional \$56 for insurance. Next, I went to Wells Fargo to exchange \$2700 US to pounds. If you were a Wells Fargo account holder, there would be no service fee. So far so good.

The cost for the B&B would be 325 pounds, 100 pounds for the rental car and gasoline and 850 pounds to Chris in the UK who heads up the Colchester Treasure and Metal Detecting Club. He negotiates with the land owners for the use of their farm fields for the hunts; he also supplies shovels, lunches, and handles identification and exportation paperwork of your finds. He seemed very knowledgeable in the identification of relics and coinage found.

Next, was shopping for the largest hardside suitcase I could find as I was taking two detectors, several large coils, and the rec-



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ommended warm clothes, rubber boots and other miscellaneous items.

Tuesday, the 19th of February, I was on my way on an 8-1/2 hour flight on a Boeing 777 wide body. Several good meals were served as well as drinks, (alcoholic or non) at no cost. One suitcase was checked as allowed and two smaller bags were carried on with no problem.

I arrived at Heathrow without any problems and called Sixt Car Rental to have a shuttle pick me up to take me to the rental facilities where I would meet up with the rest of the group in about 3 hours. The group gathered and we loaded baggage and ourselves into the van for the 65 mile ride to the Manningtree area in Essex County in the eastern part of England, rich in history dating from the Vikings, Celts, Romans, and into medieval times.

We dropped off our luggage at our B&B, assembled our detectors and went detecting for the hour of daylight that was left. For the next 10 days we would breakfast at 7:00 am, then would be picked up by the team leaders and be out in the fields by 8:00 am. Lunch would be served at 1:00 pm, usually consisting of a hearty soup and

sandwich or pasty, warming the belly. We would then detect until 5:30 pm or dusk. The length of time spent out in the field in 35-38 deg. temperatures with a constant breeze sometimes stressed your body to its limits. Ibuprofen was helpful in getting rid of aches and pains.



The fields, when plowed and rolled (in theory) are rejuvenated with relics and finds every time the soil is turned over by the farmer. The land owner is paid 10 pounds per detector per day for the use. The Colchester detecting club

has contracted with many different farmers/landowners for numerable fields and countless acres. We went to a new field every day, sometimes several different fields morning and afternoon. The fields are really scoured by American groups, as when one group leaves another takes their place; this happens 3 months in the spring and 3 months in the fall, providing quite a cash inflow for the B&B's and pubs/restaurants in the area.

What I've learned in detecting parks and schools here in the US can be thrown out, as in the UK it is advantageous to dig almost any non-iron target, as there is such a

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variety of objects in different states of deterioration. One hundred to one hundred fifty hits a day is not out of the ordinary; the bane being shot gun shells, buttons and worse, lead fragments of all sizes getting in the VDI ranges you are looking for, WWII shrapnel and 50 cal jams unfired ammunition were found telling a tale of what this country went through almost 70 years ago.

Every evening we ended up with a pouch of lead and other trash, each piece representing hard effort of digging, kneeling, and pinpointing to locate the item. Our host Penny, owner of the Emsworth House B&B, was glad to take our finds (sorting them in egg cartons) that we were going to toss in the rubbish bin, as she had several grandchildren who would give presentations of the finds at their schools.

On the fourth day of hunting, there was a cornfield of stubble, of about four acres in size adjoining a larger field of some other crop. We were hunting in there with no success when one hunter located a full Celt gold stater put into that field over 2000 years ago to reward the Gods for a good crop or to ap-

pease the Gods to give them a good crop in the fall harvest. Coming out of ground at about 10 inches, gold and shining, it was like it was placed into the ground yesterday. The group of ten hunters seemed to catch gold fever as everyone was scouring the ground for more. The next day some of the group went back to the small cornfield and two more ¼ staters were found with as high gold content as the first. Then later in the day two more were found just several feet out of the cornfield, although they were only of 20 percent gold content, first thought to be counterfeit then later found to be Celt. This was found to be a record set for number of gold coins found by one group.



Lots of copper coins are to be found, called greenies, for their color, minted from the 1700's to the early 20th century. They are a common find, although to find one with both sides still readable is rare. I found at least 25, some as old as 1821; most were just round disks unreadable on either of the sides.

Many of the team members were finding hammered silver coins (1200 to 1500 AD) which eluded my detector until the last day.



Then going out into the field, within two minutes in my second dug hole was a long cross hammered, fully round and intact, readable on both faces. I was overjoyed

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at this find as many succumb to the plow and don't survive whole or are folded. It was turned in, as was most of my finds of coins and relics at the end of the tour to be photographed, identified and catalogued. Then it can be sent to me by mail or will be held if I decide to go back next year.

I found about 5 roman coins during the hunt, coming out of the soil with a thick crust which I will try cleaning at a later date. According to Chris these are dated to 200 AD. Another interesting coin I found was a rose farthing minted in 1634 during the reign of King Charles I (1625 to 1649). Some of the finds which the group found can be seen on the Colchester Treasurer and Metal Detecting Club.com website in their finds section/March 2013.



The week before we arrived, the weather had been in the mid-forties, quite nice for that time of year, but during our 10 day stay, most days were colder with gray skies with the sun finally showing itself on Friday – our last full day of hunting. If I decide to go again in the future, a baklava, heavier socks, and chemical heaters for gloves,

wind pants or coverall, would sure make life more comfortable in the fields.

The group or team as we were referred to was mostly made up of experienced detectors, most having made at least 5 to 10 trips to the UK. There were only 2 newbies, myself included. The metal detector of choice seemed to be the new Minelab CTX 3030, but two were using XP Deus, several Fishers, and one Whites MXT. Most finds were to a depth of 5 inches or less.

Each evening after the hunt, collectively we would stop at one of two pubs in the village close to where we stayed – one was called the Cross and the other the Maiden. The food and drink were very good at both of these, the Cross being my favorite for its roast beef platter, with new potatoes, a selection of vegetables, their idea of a salad and Yorkshire pudding (which I haven't figured out why it is called a pudding). Other dishes I tried were the meat ravioli and the fish and chips, neither of which you could go wrong ordering. The Maiden had odd kitchen hours and once when we stopped they were not serving. We also tried a Chinese restaurant in Colchester and it was delicious. Stops were made at McDonalds for a taste we were all accustomed to; albeit at prices that we were not. Though it was a trip of a lifetime, I was glad to get on that flight home.

P.S. The team leaders who set up these hunts do not profit from the group of hunters they assemble. The hunt fee of 850 pounds

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is waived; all they pay for is their B&B, food and flight to the UK and back – that is their incentive. So when using the club for your trip, there is a savings of more than 1000 pounds over some of the other groups that do it for profit. I have heard that in some of these organized hunts, the organizers are planting the finds. With the group I was in, the vastness of fields that were hunted and seeing some of these finds that came out of the ground, I am sure this not the case with the Colchester group.



While remodeling John and Charlotte Steele's Master Bathroom, John had started breaking out the vanity cabinet leaving the base bottom because the water lines were coming up through the bottom. When I got there John left to get a couple of caps I was going to need.

While he was gone I continued to break the base bottom out around the pipes. While loading my arm with the broken pieces and I was starting to the van, I noticed a round object under a heavy layer of lint. At a glance I thought it was a piece of copper cut off; I find

a lot of that under cabinets. While taking another look at it I noticed the setting on it and thought it was just costume jewelry. Since I usually only find cheap jewelry when I am tearing out, I put it in my pocket and went out to the van and tossed the pieces in it.

Back up stairs I took it out of my pocket and put my glasses on and noticed it had cleaned up really nice and it was real. "Wow"!

When John returned from the store, I asked him if Charlotte had lost an expensive piece of jewelry and he said probably and wanted to see it. As we talked about it, and finding out that the house was bought new by Charlotte, it was obvious that it would be her ring.

Charlotte came in later and John showed her the ring and the excitement came to her as she looked at the 14K Diamond Engagement Ring thought to have gone down the toilet 23 years ago.

The ring had a value of \$3,000.00 23 years ago she told me. I was very happy for her to receive the ring back after all the time that had gone by and seeing the sentimental value it had to her. Charlotte also showed me the 22K wedding band that went with the engagement ring. It was very cool having never seen so many hallmarks in one ring. Charlotte did reward me very nicely. It was a real pleasure working for them.

The Prez Sez

By Ron Erickson



Wow what a great hunt!!!!!! Thanks to Jeff and Boots, along with all the others that helped. It was a great start to our club hunt schedule. I was surprised at the number of targets that were recovered from previous hunts, there were some great items found. I am looking forward to all the fun we will be having at the upcoming events.

In planning for the 40th Anniversary Roast and Rally, we have decided to limit it to the first 65 paid hunters. We will be accepting sign ups at the next meeting so please let us sell this out so we can start acquiring the items that will make this a fantastic event.

I'd like to have a column added to the newsletter called something like "Tips of the Trade." Here are a couple of tips I have from watching people who succeed in the hobby.

- Learn how to pin point. The better you are at pinpointing, the faster you will be at target recovery.

- If it is a positive signal, dig it. Some people get too focused on the number the machine is reading. A lot of good things will come in as an iffy target.

Please pass on your tips to Cindy, and we will post them in the newsletter. It can be a tip about researching a new spot, a tip about technique, suggestions about getting permission to hunt a property, a favorite website related to our hobby, or the title of a useful book. You don't have to write a whole article, just submit a tip or two to Cindy when you think of them and we can compile a list each month.

Happy Hunting,

Ron

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TREASURE HUNTER'S CODE OF ETHICS

- I WILL respect private property and do no treasure hunting without the owner's permission.
- I WILL fill all excavations.
- I WILL appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.
- I WILL use thoughtfulness, consideration, and courtesy at all times.
- I WILL build fires in designated or safe places only.
- I WILL leave gates as found.
- I WILL remove and properly dispose of any trash that I find.
- I WILL NOT litter.
- I WILL NOT destroy property, buildings, or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.
- I WILL NOT tamper with signs, structural facilities, or equipment.



Drawing tickets are \$1 each, take a chance.

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LuLubelle's Lost Bling

Treasure Puzzle

A cryptogram is an encoded message. The code used is called a simple substitution cypher. This means that the message is encoded by replacing each character in the message with a letter of the alphabet. Every time a particular character occurs in the message, it is replaced with the same code letter. Word spacing and punctuation are not changed.

Some people like to solve cryptograms much like some people like to do crossword puzzles. The cryptogram is solved by looking for frequently used characters and clues provided by letter patterns and word spacing. Solve the cryptogram shown below, find LuLu's bling and bring it to the next regular Eureka! meeting to collect a prize.

Q3^ ^0J 0L0L0J0J0J 54^ 450J0J4^3GJ JJJJ^
3G J00 03^ ^0J J4^ ^0J 04^JJJ^ 4^ ^J0J
^JJ00J0J ^J0J0J0J 4 04JJ0J0J0J 040J ^J0J
33^450J0J0J 4 40L^4J 0J JJJJ^ 0J0J0J
JL40J0J0J 04 0J003^ ^J0J 304J0J0J 0J0J
0J003^ 0J0J4^J0J0J 0J0J 4^ J0J0J
0L0L0J0J0J 0J0J0J 03^450J^ 4G JJJJ 0J 0J0J0J0J

F I N D S T R O I F E S T H E	GOLD CATEGORY	
	Jay Reed.....	14K Elephant Bracelet
	Winford Faires.....	14K Elephant Bracelet
	Wade Williford.....	Nugget Ring
	Terry Weatherly.....	Ladies' 14K 3 Diamond Ring
	JEWELRY CATEGORY	
	Mary Sable.....	KUUIPO (Hawaiian "my love") Sterling Ring
	Linda Kibbler.....	Silver Butterfly Ring
	John Hinton.....	Turquoise Silver Earring
	John Hinton.....	Cross on Silver Chain
	Wade Williford.....	Sterling Ring
	COIN CATEGORY	
	Jim Griffin.....	1948 D Rosie Dime
	Wade Williford.....	1935 Mercury Dime
	Cindy Bockenstedt.....	1894 Indian Head Cent
	TOKEN CATEGORY	
	Wade Williford.....	One Peep Show
	ARTIFACT CATEGORY	
	John Olson.....	Masonic Lodge Badge
	Ron Erickson.....	Dog Tag
	John Hinton.....	Brass Lipstick
	Wade Williford.....	Boy Scout Medal
	Cindy Bockenstedt.....	Pocket Watch

M O N T H	FIND-OF-THE-MONTH CATEGORIES	
	Gold:	Natural gold (flakes, nuggets, wire) stamped karat alloy content or obvious custom alloy item.
	Jewelry:	objects of metal often set with gems and worn for personal adornment, except jewelry qualifying for the GOLD category.
	Coin:	a piece of metal issued by governmental authority as money (includes GOLD coins of any nation).
	Token:	a piece resembling a coin issued as money by some person or body not of a governmental authority; can be redeemed for services or specified items.
	Artifact:	simple object showing human workmanship or modification.

Finds of the Month Winners - March

GOLD - Terry Weatherly

Ladies' 14K 3 Diamond Ring



While tearing out a vanity cabinet on a remodel job at John Steele's house, Terry found it under a layer of lint build up. See newsletter article on page 7.

TOKEN – Wade Williford

Peep Show



Wade found this token behind a church using his Ace 350 with a DD 11 1/2 inch coil.

JEWELRY - Wade Williford

Sterling Ring



Using his Garret Ace 350 with a 11 1/2 " Double D Coil, Wade found this pretty ring where houses were torn down.

ARTIFACT - Cindy Bockenstedt

Pocket Watch



This hallmarked (arm and hammer) pocket watch was found at a torn down house that dated 1880. The two parts were found about 3 inches deep a few feet apart. Philadelphia Watch Case Company's "Perfection" plated watch.

COIN - Cindy Bockenstedt

1894 Indian Head Cent



Cindy found this in a backyard of standing 1890's house about 2 inches down with her White's MXT equipped with a 6"x3" coil.



Check Out Bob's Book!

Bob Flier's novel, The Beast from the Swamp, is now available at the Tattered Cover and several other local bookstores.

The following review came from the newsletter of the Brainfood Bookstore in Longmont. (Old Town Marketplace, 332 Main Street #C2).

"There stood the perfect nightmare image of a wild boar. Only this wasn't a nightmare; it was real. Its head was huge and the massive shoulders that supported it were out of proportion to the rest of the body. It looked top-heavy, although it moved with ease on long, graceful legs. The animal sniffed the air and looked about as if it wasn't sure what to make of the town. Then it opened its mouth and showed a massive set of teeth."

Welcome to the terror stricken town of Porcupine Junction, Michigan. A once peaceful small town nestled deep in the pine forest. But, something has crawled out of the swamp; and it's here to stay. That is, unless

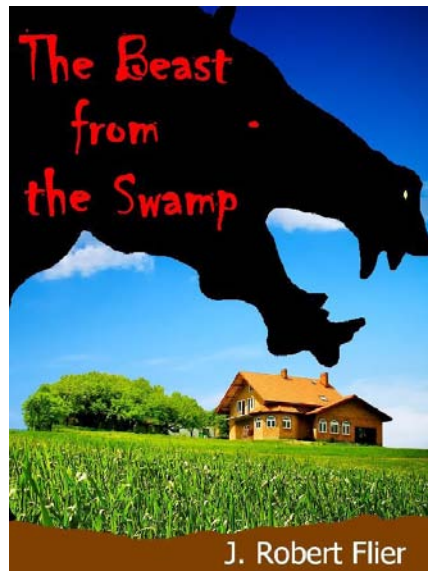
Bo Sherman has something to say about it.

Robert Flier opens us up to the small town world that everybody envies. Your guide to Porcupine Junction: a giant wild boar. Yet, as you read through the cunning plot you may come to find that it is no boar at all, but something far more terrifying. The story gives the reader a unique perspective by showing point of view

between both the hunter and the hunted. It's up to you to decide who is who.

Flier gives the reader a powerful plot driven story that will have you afraid to put it down. The character dialogue invites you right into their mind and does well at creating empathy with their circumstance. A good horror story with just a dash of romance, the techniques and thrill of the hunt, and insight to the mind of the drug world.

An easy read that you won't regret picking up. Recommended for anyone interested in hunting, monster mayhem, or just looking for a good quick read.



Secretary's Report

President Ron Erickson called the March meeting to order at 7:30 PM. There were approximately 60 people present.

Guests: Ron Roberson and Brian Johnson

March is membership month. Renewals are due.

Linda Kibler gave the treasurer's report.

The Club has baseball hats and water bottles with the Eureka! logo for sale.

Annual awards were given out at the February meeting. Two persons were absent then and present tonight:

- Jim Griffin – 2012 Find of the Year – Jewelry category
- Jeff Lubbert – 2012 Gene Kotlan Award



Lulu's Bling Clue Hunt for March was found by Boots Lewis.

Monthly hunt updates:

March Hunt

- Due to possible inclement weather, the hunt will be held on Sunday, March 17 at the Lazy Heart Ranch. Lunch begins at 11:30 AM. The cost is \$40 for the lunch and hunt; \$5 for lunch only.

April Hunt

- IRS Tax Hunt April 14 – Majestic View Park
- There will be a beginner field; \$20 per person; sub sandwiches to eat

May Hunt

- Two day Breckenridge Ski Area Hunt will be May 11th & 12th.

June Hunt

- Lazy Heart Ranch
- 40th Anniversary
- Jeff Lubbert is soliciting donations to be used as prizes

August Hunt

- Fish hunt

Tip of the Month – Boots Lewis

Learn about your equipment – the better you know it, the better you will hunt.

There was a discussion around finding rings: how long it takes sometimes before you find something valuable, your settings, soil conditions where you are hunting, working with coin and jewelry samples to learn the sounds of readings.

Places to look:

- Sidewalks
- Snowbanks, particularly after plowing
- Football and soccer fields
- Parks
- School playgrounds
- Begin detecting as you walk away from your car, your destination and back to your car

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- Always check areas more than once
- Read articles to learn new places to hunt

Thank you to everyone who brought snacks.

General Drawing

1891 Indian Head Penny – Ted Dystra
 Tonga gold coin, Pa'anga – Laura Lewis
 1929 D Nickel – Boots Lewis
 1921 S Walking Liberty Half Dollar – Cindy Bockenstedt
 1867 V Nickel – Ted Dystra
 1877 Seated Dime – Bernie Watts
 1848 Large Cent – Diane Dengah
 1857 Flying Eagle – Jim Griffin
 Bust Dime – Linda Erickson
 1883 Morgan Silver Dollar – Jan Hallez
 Silver Sample – Cindy Bockenstedt
 Dos Pesos - Bill Abercrombie

Membership Drawing – Chris Coats



March Meeting Photos



Reminder:
 Baseball caps with the
 Eureka! logo are available
 for \$10.00.

Eureka! Treasure Hunters Members Service Directory

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We Treat you Right!

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If you are a Eureka! member, you can put a simple business card sized advertisement here for free.

Wheatridge requires permits to metal detect in their city. No hunting is allowed October through March. They are accepting permit applications which will allow metal detecting April 1 - September 30, 2013.

2013 CALENDAR

January:

9th - Board Meeting
11th - General Meeting
13th - Club Outing - Colorado History Center

February:

6th - Board Meeting
8th - General Meeting

March:

6th - Board Meeting 6:30
8th - General Meeting 7:30
10th - The Great Buffalo Hunt 11:30
22nd - Soundoff Deadline

April:

10th - Board Meeting 6:30
12th - General Meeting 7:30
14th - Club Hunt – IRS Hunt 12:00
26th - Soundoff Deadline

May:

8th - Board Meeting 6:30
10th - General Meeting 7:30
11th & 12th - Breckenridge Ski Area Hunt, meet for dinner Saturday eve.
31st - Soundoff Deadline

June:

12th - Board Meeting 6:30
14th - General Meeting 7:30
16th - 40th Anniversary Club Hunt - Roast and Rally !!!
28th - Soundoff Deadline

July:

10th - Board Meeting 6:30
12th - General Meeting 7:30
14th - Club Hunt
26th - Soundoff Deadline

August:

7th - Board Meeting 6:30
9th - General Meeting 7:30
11th - Club Hunt - Fishing Trip
30th - Soundoff Deadline

September:

11th - Board Meeting 6:30
13th - General Meeting 7:30
15th - Coinhuna Club Championship
27th - Soundoff Deadline

October:

9th - Board Meeting 6:30
11th - General Meeting 7:30
TBD - Club Hunt
25th - Soundoff Deadline

November:

6th - Board Meeting 6:30
8th - General Meeting 7:30
TBD - Club Hunt
29th - Soundoff Deadline

December:


11th - Board Meeting 6:30
13th - General Meeting 7:30
TBD - Christmas Dinner
27th - Soundoff Deadline

++ Upcoming 2013 Events ++

APRIL EUREKA! GENERAL MEETING

Snacks ~ as always, treats for the snack table are appreciated.

Nametags ~ thanks for wearing them to all Eureka! functions.

 **Your Choice ~ BRING ONE DISPLAY BOX OF YOUR FINDS to show at the meeting.**

UPCOMING EUREKA! CLUB HUNTS

May 11 & 12, 2013

[Breckenridge Ski Area Hunt](#). Stay the night or drive up and back. Hunt one day or two, it's up to you. Meet for dinner Saturday evening.

June 16, 2013

40th Anniversary Club Hunt - Roast and Rally
This dual field spectacular hunt will be held at the Lazy Heart Ranch with a huge pig roast and great targets and surprises. Past hunts were held here so there are even more potential finds. You never know what you will find, but it will be good!
Membership has its privilege's.

Sponsors:

Lost Treasures Magazine
American Digger Magazine
Garrett Metal Detectors
Gilpin County Historical Society
Spyderco, Inc. 303-279-8613
Gold N Detectors, 802 Washington Ave,
Golden, CO 303-278-6622
Big Blue Wreck Salvage

July 14th, 2013 Mining Tour?

August 11, 2013

[Fishing Trip](#), dirt fishing anyone? Commemorative 1oz silver rounds sporting fish designs!

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SOMETHING TO GO SEE

CSBS Annual Button Show

April 5, 6, 7, 2013

Red Lion Hotel

4040 Quebec St. (I-70 and Quebec)

Denver, CO 80216

Coin Show

April 13, 2013

Red Lion Hotel

4040 Quebec St. (I-70 and Quebec)

Denver, CO 80216

Antique Bottle Collectors of Colorado Show

July 27, 2013

National Mining Hall of Fame & Museum

Convention Center

Leadville, CO

9am - 4pm

Antiques, Bottles, Paper, Glassware,
Collectibles

SOMETHING TO WATCH

The Weather Channel's new series "Prospectors" Tuesdays at 7:00 pm starting March 26, 2013. These 30 minute episodes feature miners looking for gemstones in Colorado.

WEB SITES TO CHECK OUT

www.itthc.com Indian Territory Treasure Hunters Club.

www.mdhtalk.org Detecting Hobby Talk

In-Town Hunt Information

As a Eureka! member we want you to participate in and help put on In-Town club hunts. These hunts are meant to be fun, first and foremost. They provide a context outside of the meetings for fellowship with club members. To put on an in-town hunt you need to:

- Schedule with the Hunt Coordinator or President (see the contact list).
- Provide the Hunt Coordinator a plan.
- Send the hunt flyer to the newsletter editor in an appropriate format for insertion into the newsletter (see the contact list).
- Provide flyers at the monthly meeting.
- Ensure the hunt rules are discussed BEFORE the hunt.
- Police the hunt.
- The hunt master for any particular hunt can decide open hunt (non-members may hunt) or members only.
- Write a story for the newsletter and send it and accompanying photos to the newsletter editor prior to that month's deadline.

To ensure the continuation of this hobby and to provide the best impression of Eureka! and its membership, you, as hunt master, MUST enforce all rules, including:

1. Pouches to store finds and trash MUST be worn and used at all times during the hunt.
2. All hunters must wear headphones.
3. Absolutely no tolerance of holes left open. A first warning, followed by a time-out or expulsion from the hunt.
4. Hunters digging and leaving trash of any sort on the hunt field will receive the same treatment discussed above.

All hunts will need to be okayed by Hunt Coordinator (see the contact list) prior to officially being put in the newsletter and put on.

Failure to follow the guidelines may result in hunts being cancelled.

See the 2013 calendar for planned hunts and openings.



Membership Renewal

April is here. Yearly dues are \$30 per individual or \$36 for a family membership. Please go to Eurekatlc.com and download and complete the application form. Membership dues can be paid to the treasurer at the April meeting. Don't miss out on our fun 40th Anniversary year!

Indian Heads **H**

Rings **U**

Silver **N**



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April 14, 2013

Cost \$20

Majestic View Park – on 72nd between Carr and Kipling.

12:00 Lunch – Sandwiches, chips, soda & water provided.

Bring a side dish, cookies, brownies, etc.

1:00 Hunt

IRS = **I**ndian Heads, **R**ings, **S**ilver.

Also clad coins, and tax tokens for prizes!

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Come early for questions and help with your detector - there will be a beginner field.

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Classified business-card-sized text advertising is free to members for non-business ads. Commercial display ads are available to anyone at the following charges:

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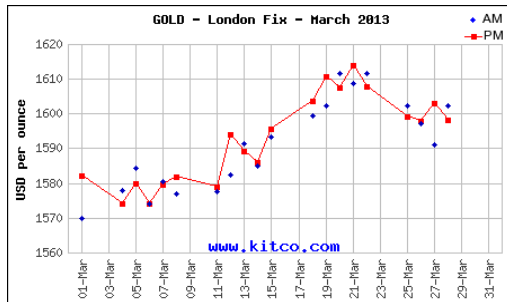
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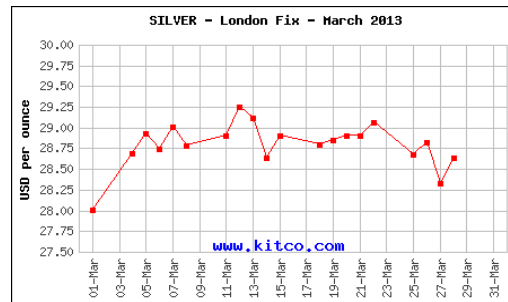
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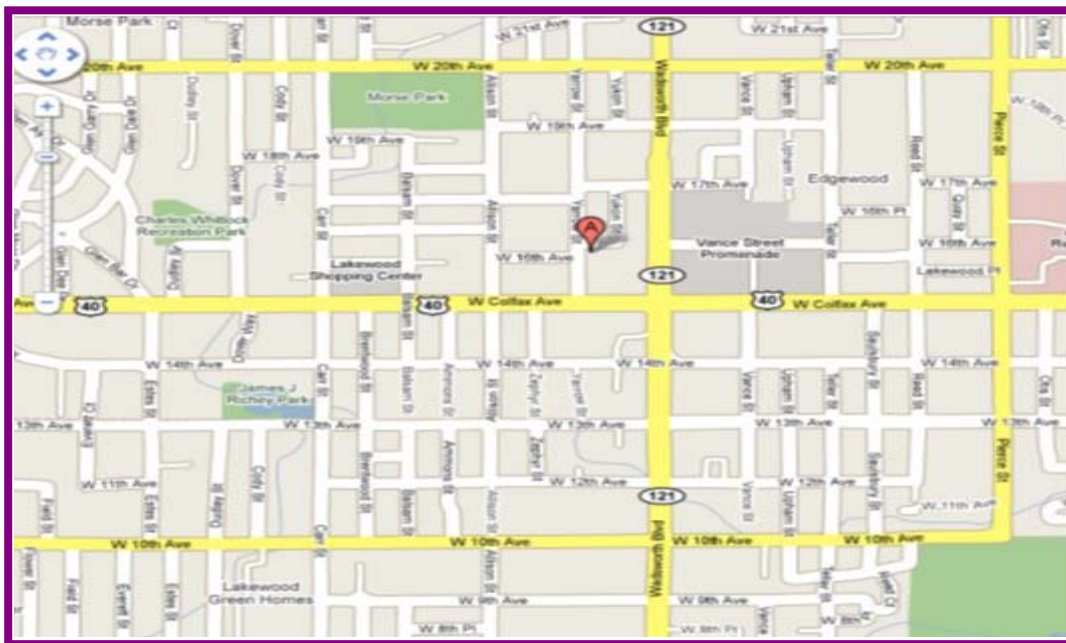
Gold Prices



Silver Prices



Eureka! Club meetings are held on the second Friday of each month, 7:30 p.m., on the second floor of the Clement Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St., Lakewood, Colorado.





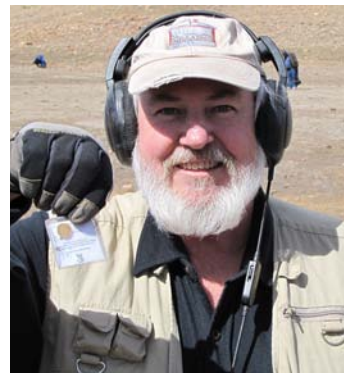
INDIAN HUNT

BY JEFF LUBBERT

The Great Buffalo / Indian Hunt March 17, 2013



Huntmasters Jeff Lubbert and Boots Lewis



Terry Weatherly found the gold coin!

Planning for the Indian hunt began several months ago, as a matter of fact just before the 2012 fall Denver coin show. While at that show we purchased, for this hunt, the \$1 gold coin and the copper rounds. We knew that the club had a massive herd of buffalo nickels and Indian head cents in the safe. So realistically this hunt was pretty much set, just a bit of filler and some silver rounds were needed for targets. Of course there were a few other minor details that needed to be worked out (food, location and when to hold the hunt), but basically the stage was set for the hunt.

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Due to the issue of the safe being locked and us unable to get into it, we now had a new wrinkle to contend with. Not knowing if we were going to be able to get into the safe in time for the hunt, Boots jumped into action and purchased a large quantity of buffalo nickels a couple of weeks prior to the March meeting. Luckily the safe was opened and our supply of coins was available.



I made my way to the Lazy Heart Ranch the Saturday before the hunt to make the chili that was promised. After an hour of shopping to pick up the required supplies we began the process of making the chili. We were planning on a batch of normal chili and a batch of chili with a bit more zip, but our ingredients didn't allow for such. Thanks to Boots for donating the wild meat. After a few hours of preparing the chili we headed out to the hunt field to plant targets.



A few weeks prior several of the board members and a few non-board members gathered at the Lazy Heart Ranch to clean up the bunk house and do a few repairs as well. During that day the majority of the buffalo nickels were planted. We had planted coins based on the 32 people that we had signed up at the meeting. So when 46 people arrived with metal detectors in hand, we needed

to bump the number of targets by quite a bit. We ended up planting an additional 700 targets the morning of the hunt.

There were over 3000 coins planted (buffalo nickels, Indian Head pennies and Sacagawea dollar coins), 15 silver rounds, several pieces of silver jewelry, copper rounds, a multitude of high quality reproduction arrow heads, a



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couple of prize tokens and the \$1 gold piece. There were also 40 or so wooden “arrow heads” scattered throughout the hunt field with numbers printed on them. These numbers gave the finder of the wooden arrowhead a clue to the hiding place of the gold coin.

Due to the fact that I spent the better part of the time prior to the hunt planting targets I am not sure who all brought side dishes and desserts. To all of you who did THANKS!!!! The chili seemed to be a hit; a big thank you goes out to the Kiblers for bringing the vegetarian chili, all of the coolers filled with drinks and all the work you put into this hunt. Some good comradery was had amongst fellow club members hanging out on the deck of the bunk-house and inside at the dining table.



People started to move out to the hunt field about 20-30 minutes prior to the hunt. Here we gathered to get the group photo and talk about the standard Eureka hunt rules and what was out in the field. We had a couple of stragglers getting to the hunt field so we held off the start a minute or two while Bernie registered and paid. With the shout of my voice the hunters were off finding goodies.



I spent a good portion of the first 15 minutes of the hunt sprinting back and forth across the hunt field telling people their clues for finding the gold coin. There were four clues:

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Clue 1 – South, Clue 2 – East, Clue 3 – Amongst the rocks, Clue 4 – “X” marks the spot. The gold coin was hidden in the southeast corner of the hunt field beside a rock that had a natural “X” on it. Terry Weatherly found the gold coin with only one clue. Well done Terry!!



After a little over an hour of hunting, I asked all hunters to hunt their way to the parking area so that we could get a count of the silver rounds found and who had the tokens. Both of the tokens were found and the vast majority of the silver jewelry but somehow there were 5 or 6 silver rounds still in the ground. Everybody had a pouch full of buffalo nickels and several Indian head pennies and there were a few targets found from previous hunts (a couple of Civil War bullets and buttons, a large cent and a couple of silver dimes and older nickels). We allowed the hunters back into the hunt field to hopefully find the silver rounds, I know of a couple more that were found for sure. Rest assured the other silver rounds will still be in the ground for our **BIG** 40th Anniversary hunt in June.

All in all, I think all participants had a good time and I didn't hear any complaints. If you have thoughts on how this hunt could have been better, come and find me during the next meeting and I will take your suggestions into consideration when planning the 40th Anniversary hunt.

Once again, I would like to thank all who participated in and all who helped to make this a wonderfully successful hunt.

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Sprucing up the bunkhouse at the Lazy Heart Ranch, site of March's and June's hunts.





March Meeting photos. Rings were shown this meeting as there was no speaker. See you next month! And bring a display box to show some of your past finds.